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STATE DEPARTMENT  
AUSTIN, TEXAS

SIDNEY LATHAM  
Secretary of State

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Mr. Charles Westcott  
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Dear Sir:

I have your inquiry of November 9th with reference to the use of the term "Sacramento Mountains" in the State of Texas. While this office has no jurisdiction over what constitutes authoritative or correct use of names and places in Texas, I am glad to give you the benefit of such information as is available here.

I am not personally familiar with the use of the name "Sacramento Mountains" in Texas at all, the term "Guadalupe Mountains" being generally used with reference to the chain crossing the New Mexico line into Culberson County, Texas.

The Texas Almanac for 1943-44, which is generally accepted in this State as containing authentic information, does not list the "Sacramento Mountains" as being a Texas chain. Comment is made at Page 95 on the Guadalupe range as being the highest range in the State. The Delaware Mountains are listed at Page 97 as being a separate chain, but likewise situated in Culberson County. The map of the Texas Almanac shows the location of the Delaware Mountains to be immediately South and running in a Southeasterly direction from the Guadalupe Mountains; but neither the map nor the text make any mention of the Sacramento Mountains as a Texas chain. During thirty-six years in this State, I do not recall having heard the name Sacramento applied to any Texas mountain range.

Trusting that the above information might be of some benefit to you, I am

Yours very truly,

(Signed)

Sidney Latham  
Secretary of State

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